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1. OCTOBER 5 AUSTRALIAN NEWSPAPER REPORT IS INACCURATE IN SEVERAL RESPECTS. MOST NOTABLY, RAIDS IN QUESTION TOOK PLACE EARLY IN 1976 AND INVOLVED LABORATORIES MANUFACTURING LOW-GRADE HEROIN FROM CODEPHEN, RATHER THAN FROM CODEINE.

2. FULL REPORT ON EPISODE CONTAINED IN PAPER ENTITLED "SEIZURE OF CLANDESTINE HEROIN LABS IN AUSTRALIA IN 1975" PRESENTED BY AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVE AT U.N. ENFORCEMENT CONFERENCE FOR HEADS OF NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT IN SOUTHEAST ASIA REGION, WHICH CONVENED NOVEMBER 1975 IN JAKARTA.

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